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# CIA Protest Thur. Jan. 19, 1967 Signs Taken By Officers

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IOWA CITY, IA. — University of Iowa campus police swiped some picket signs Wednesday from a student group protesting Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) recruiting here.

The incident touched off an afternoon of door-pounding and foul-word-shouting by the pacifist group, which Tuesday had forcibly tried to prevent a CIA



Charles Pecinovsky  
*The Woes of a Spy*

recruiter from talking to student prospects to serve with the super-secret U.S. spy agency.

Tuesday, the recruiter, Charles Pecinovsky, had been routed from his interviewing office in a small quonset building and had finished his interviewing, under police guard, in another building with the protesters clamoring in the halls.

Wednesday, he was back in the same quonset office with a force of out-of-uniform cam-

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pus policemen to repeal the uninvited.

The protesters had to keep their demonstration outdoors on the sidewalk.

## Near Zero

Tuesday's indoor demonstrators totaled 35. Wednesday's totaled 17 — it was one above zero — and students took turns manning the picket line.

The protesters, complaining that the CIA is a "secret, violent and dictatorial" agency, carried signs that said:

"If you have killing on the mind, join CIA. There are killers inside this building — beware all ye who enter. CIA go home."

They chalked what they called Nazi swastikas on the doors of the quonset, and a word — "Murderers" — on the south side of the building.

They leaned two signs against the door. One policeman stationed inside reached out and grabbed the signs. The youngsters rushed the door.

## "Fascist Dogs"

They banged on it and yanked on it — nearly tearing it from the hinges — and shouted names. "Fascist Dogs," was the printable one heard most often.

One of the pickets, Ross Peterson of Des Moines, was grabbed by officers and taken into the office.

Campus policemen said they took his name and plan to report him to the office of student affairs for using foul language.

Peterson said he had been struck and manhandled.

One of the men with the officers took pictures of the protesters.

"I'm just a camera bug," he said. "I like to take pictures of students."

The police refused to give their names.

## "Thieves, Thieves"

They also refused to return the signs and the students coursed along the sidewalk

shouting "thieves, thieves, thieves."

The policemen were asked what they planned to do with the signs, one of which had become broken.

"Well, nothing," said one. "These signs were just laying out there littering the place. We don't know who they belong to."

"Since we don't know who left the signs there we can't charge anybody for littering. We would if we knew."

"If anyone wants to go to the campus police office and can prove that they lost a sign we'll return it."

## Former D.M. Man

The protest ended promptly at 5 p.m. when Pecinovsky, a former Des Moines resident who lives in Kansas City, Mo. and recruits in four Midwest states, reported he was done for the day.

Pecinovsky has interviews scheduled here through Friday.

About half the protest group are members of the left-wing Students for a Democratic Society.

Earlier Wednesday, the CIA and the students who want to interview for jobs got some support at the university's student union, Soapbox Soundoff. That's a weekly forum for any student who wants to get up and talk.

Sam Kramer, and engineering sophomore from Elma and member of the right-wing

freedom, told the forum:

"As we can see, the scum on campus has risen up again and we ought to get the Dutch Cleanser out and clear it up."

## Calls for "Stomp-In"

"If they are going to have a lay-in or sit-in, I think we should have a stomp-in."

The university's position is that the CIA, like any potential employer, has the right to interview students, and the students also have the right to protest in a non-violent manner.

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